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Via E-Mail and Regular Mail

The Honorable Stephen L. Johnson
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
P.O. Box 1473
Merrifield, VA 22 116

Re: Final HPV Challenge Program Submission for the Mixed
Xylenols Category -- EPA Registration No. _____

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Dear Administrator Johnson:

On May 12, 2003, Merisol USA LLC (Merisol) submitted a revised category approach and test plan for the Mixed Xylenols Category as part of its commitment under EPA's High Production Volume (HPV) Challenge Program. The Mixed Xylenols Category consists of the following six chemicals:

2,5-xyleneol (CAS No. 95-87-4)
3,4-xyleneol (CAS No. 95-65-8)
2,4-xyleneol (CAS No. 105-67-9)
3,5-xyleneol (CAS No. 108-68-9)
2,3-xyleneol (CAS No. 526-75-0)
2,6-xyleneol (CAS No. 576-26-1)

Appended are the final Mixed Xylenols Category test plan and robust summaries which incorporate the results from Merisol's testing for the Mixed Xylenols Category as described in its test plan and explain why the newly conducted data support the category approach initially proposed by Merisol. It is Merisol's understanding that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will post this document on its **website** identified as a "final" submission. With the submission of the final test plan and robust summaries, Merisol has completed its commitment under the HPV Challenge Program for the Mixed Xylenols Category.

This submission is also being sent electronically in Adobe Acrobat pdf format to the following e-mail addresses:

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If EPA requires any additional **information**, please contact Lisa Campbell at (202) 557-3802 or **lcampbell@lawbc.com**.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: Mr. Mark Townsend (w/attachment) (via e-mail)